

1 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
2 DISTRICT OF NEVADA

3 Case No.: 3:25-cv-00123-MMD-CSD

4 STEVE MURRAY,

5 Plaintiff

6 v.

7 KENNETH WILLIAMS, et al.,

8 Defendants

**Order**

Re: ECF No. 17

9 Before the court is Defendants' motion for leave to file medical records under seal in  
10 connection with their response to Plaintiff's motion for injunctive relief. (ECF No. 17.)

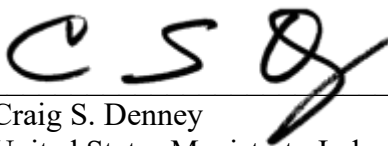
11 When the documents sought to be sealed are "more than tangentially related to the merits  
12 of a case," as they are here, the court must find compelling reasons support the sealing of the  
13 documents. *Center for Auto Safety v. Chrysler Group, LLC*, 809 F.3d 1092, 1096-97, 1101 (9th  
14 Cir. 2016).

15 This court, and others within the Ninth Circuit, have recognized that the need to protect  
16 medical privacy qualifies as a "compelling reason" for sealing records because the plaintiff's  
17 interest in keeping his sensitive health information confidential outweighs the public's need for  
18 direct access to the medical records.

19 Therefore, Defendants' motion (ECF No. 17) is **GRANTED**.

20 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

21 Dated: July 9, 2025

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23 Craig S. Denney  
United States Magistrate Judge